

4 Saudi saboteurs executed

RIYADH (R) — Four Saudi Arabians were beheaded Friday for sabotage and collaborating with Iran, an Interior Ministry statement said. The statement quoted by the Saudi Press Agency (SPA) said the four men were executed in Dammam in the country's eastern province. It said they had planted explosives at a petrochemical plant at Jubail on the Gulf coast and accused them of "collaborating with a foreign regime — Iran — to implement its evil aims to destroy their country's installations and shake the economy..." Oil industry sources had reported a fire at the petrochemical plant in late March which led to its closure. Saudi Arabia broke diplomatic relations with Iran last April. The statement said security forces first captured Mohammad Ibn Abdallah Ibn Ali Al Qarous but gave no date. It said the other three, identified as Ali Ibn Abdallah Ibn Ali Al Khatem, Azher Ibn Ali Al Hajjaj and Khalid Ibn Abdul Hamid Ibn Hassan Al Atak, had fled but were spotted during an identity check in early August. They were captured in a house in the eastern province town of Al Qatil after a fight in which they killed a security officer, the statement reported. "After interrogation they admitted their crimes," it said.

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AROUND THE WORLD...**Hirohito's condition remains static**

TOKYO (R) — Doctors gave Japan's Emperor Hirohito another blood transfusion Friday and relatives said he had complained of pain and difficulty in sleeping. Officials said the 87-year-old monarch was still bleeding internally but described his condition as static 11 days after he suffered a collapse that has left him bed-ridden and fed by intravenous drips. Hirohito was conscious and had received 2,000 cc of blood, they said. "There is no particular change in his condition," a medical bulletin said.

Bonn to send ambassador to Libya

BONN (R) — West Germany confirmed Friday it has appointed a new ambassador to Tripoli to fill a vacancy created two-and-a-half years ago at the height of alleged Libyan extremist activity. Juergen Hellner, the new ambassador, will take up his post in early October, a Foreign Ministry spokesman said.

Reagan upgrades U.S. spy capability

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Ronald Reagan, saying secrecy is essential for the nation's security, has signed legislation designed to help modernise the United States' outmoded spy satellite network. In a statement Thursday announcing he had signed the bill, Reagan predicted the measure "will strengthen United States intelligence capabilities." The spy satellite modernisation programme was initiated by the Senate Intelligence Committee after it concluded that U.S. photo and eavesdropping satellites were becoming outdated. The precise provisions and funding levels of the bill are classified, but Reagan said the legislation authorises the appropriation "at approximately the level I requested." Total spending on U.S. intelligence programmes reportedly amounts to about \$25 billion.

Avril promises 'irreversible democracy'

NEW YORK (R) — The head of Haiti's new military government was quoted Friday as saying his goal was to establish an "irreversible democracy" in the country. In the first interview since he was installed as president Sept. 18, Lieutenant-General Prosper Avril said he was committed to respecting human rights and fundamental liberties. He said he had already begun taking steps to disarm the Tontons Macoute, the private security force created by former dictator Francois Duvalier. The 50-year-old general spoke in an interview with the New York Times and three other American publications.

Chile opposition sure of victory

SANTIAGO (R) — Opponents of Chile's General Augusto Pinochet are increasingly optimistic that next week's presidential referendum will grant them their first major victory in 15 years and open the door to democratic change. Independent polls and massive turnouts at opposition rallies indicate that a majority of Chileans will vote against the wily 72-year-old general, who is seeking another eight years in power. "It's looking very much like a no victory," a Western diplomat said of the yes-or-no vote in which Pinochet will stand as the sole candidate.

Cyprus calls for end to partition

NICOSIA (AP) — Greek Cypriot political leaders appealed to Turkish Cypriots Friday to abandon partition and work to reunify the war-divided island. Separate appeals by President George Vassiliou and the House of Representatives were issued on the eve of the 28th anniversary of independence from British colonial rule. "On this day of our common independence I call on our Turkish Cypriot fellow citizens to lay aside any chauvinistic and partitionist tendencies and to take the hand we stretch to them, so we can walk together toward a better future for us and our children," Vassiliou said.

Bush tried to bar probe of CIA role

WASHINGTON (R) — George Bush as Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) director attempted to block a federal investigation of agency operations in Chile in 1976, the Los Angeles Times said Friday. Bush attempted to hold back documents on earlier CIA activities in Chile which the Justice Department sought for a federal grand jury, according to files in the Gerald Ford Presidential Library in Ann Arbor, Michigan, the newspaper said. In October, 1976, Bush who was then CIA director, pleaded the need to protect intelligence sources in a dispute with the Ford White House and Justice Department over the documents and permission for CIA witnesses to appear before the jury. The grand jury was investigating charges that former CIA Director Richard Helms and some of his officers had lied to Congress about Chilean operations.

Pretoria confirms Botha trip to Zaire

JOHANNESBURG (R) — South Africa confirmed Friday that President P.W. Botha will visit Zaire Saturday for talks with President Mobutu Sese Seko. It will be Botha's third trip this month to a black-ruled African country, and takes place as five months of negotiations over the independence of South African-ruled Namibia and the withdrawal of Cuban troops from Angola seem to be drawing close to success (see page 8).

Firebombs hurled at U.S. HQ in Seoul

SEOUL (AP) — Protesters hurled firebombs into U.S. army headquarters in Seoul Friday and fled before riot police could intervene, authorities said. Police and U.S. military authorities said the firebombs did not cause any damage when they were hurled over a wall into a motor pool at the headquarters of the 8th U.S. Army in a central district. South Korea has been hit by a burst of anti-American sentiment provoked by several incidents during the Olympics. Radical students have staged anti-American protests to try and play up the issue.

Journalists expelled from Nagorno-Karabakh

MOSCOW (R) — Two reporters from the Soviet communist youth newspaper *Komsomolskaya Pravda* said Friday they had been ordered out of the disputed Azerbaijani region of Nagorno-Karabakh after entering it without permission. The reporters were identified as Alexander Teplyuk and Arkady Khantsevich. Foreign correspondents have been banned from Nagorno-Karabakh since February, at the start of the ethnic unrest over demands by the region, which has a 75 per cent Armenian population, to be transferred from Azerbaijan to Armenia.

Israeli paper says hostages to be freed

TEL AVIV (AP) — An Israeli newspaper reported Friday that eight American captives and one British hostage held in Lebanon would be released in October following secret talks between the United States and Iran. In exchange for the release, Washington would provide economic aid, gradually release billions of dollars in Iranian funds frozen in U.S. banks and resume diplomatic relations with Tehran, the English-language weekly *The Nation* said in a report from Geneva. The U.S. State Department denied the report and said no negotiations have been held. "There have been no such meetings," said department spokeswoman Phyllis Oakley. "The story is not true. It is all false."

Jordan Times

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Britain, Iran to resume full ties

UNITED NATIONS (R) — Britain and Iran have agreed to resume full diplomatic relations and details will be worked out by officials of the two countries. British Foreign Secretary Sir Geoffrey Howe said Friday. He made the announcement after a 45-minute meeting at U.N. headquarters with Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati that was preceded by talks in Geneva this week between British and Iranian officials. "We recorded the fact that delegations from both governments have been meeting in Geneva. As a result, both sides have decided to resume full diplomatic representation on the basis of reciprocity and mutual respect," Howe told reporters. Although diplomatic relations between the two countries were not severed, they entered a deep freeze last year after an Iranian envoy was arrested in Manchester for alleged shoplifting and a British diplomat was beaten up in Tehran. Both countries then reduced their diplomatic establishment to one diplomat in each capital. But while Iran has a chargé d'affaires in London serving under the Iranian flag, Britain has sent in only an occasional diplomat who must work out of the Swedish embassy's British interests section.

Settlers, army kill 2 Palestinians

OCCUPIED JERUSALEM (Agencies) — Two Palestinians were shot dead and five wounded in clashes with Jewish settlers and troops in the occupied West Bank town of Hebron Friday, Palestinian and hospital sources said.

They said Kayed Hussein, 42, was killed by two bullets in the chest after protesters stoned the car of settlers' leader Rabbi Moshe Levinger in the ancient city centre.

Residents said Levinger shot his pistol into the crowd but Israeli police, who released him after questioning, said he fired into the air.

The army said other settlers and troops also shot in the air and it was not clear who fired the fatal shots.

Residents said Salah, a shopkeeper, was hit by stray bullets and was not involved in the clashes.

Arab sources said another Palestinian was shot dead near the mosque where protesters clashed with troops after prayers at the city's Al Haras Mosque in protest against the first shooting.

Troops shot Zayn Mohammad Karaki, 18, twice during clashes near a Hebron mosque, his family said. The army was holding Karaki's body and would not release it, they said.

Troops declared Hebron a closed military area and barred reporters from the town, where about 200 ultra-nationalist Jewish settlers live behind barbed wire fences under army guard in the midst of some 80,000 Palestinian residents.

In Arab Jerusalem, police extended the closure of the Palestine Press Service (PPS) for another year, saying the closure was necessary for public peace and public order.

The PPS, which served as an important information source for foreign correspondents covering the uprising, was shut by the army six months ago.

On Thursday, thousands of mourners having Palestinian flags and chanting anti-Israeli slogans bore the body of former Gaza City Mayor Rashad Shawi to his grave outside the city.

The army clamped a curfew on

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PSP, army clash amid static standoff

BEIRUT (Agencies) — Troops clashed with militiamen of the Progressive Socialist Party (PSP) Friday as rival Christian- and Muslim-led governments struggled for power in Lebanon.

Fighters of the PSP, led by Walid Junblatt, fought for three hours with soldiers under General Michel Aoun, head of a weekend-old military cabinet.

The rattle of machineguns and the blast of rocket-propelled grenades echoed across the battle front southeast of Beirut, heightening tensions between Aoun and the competing government of acting Prime Minister Salim Hoss.

The struggle, sparked by parliament's failure to elect a new head of state, threatens to split Lebanon, already ravaged by 13 years of civil war.

A PSP spokesman said two of its men were badly wounded when a shell hit their post overlooking the army garrison town of Souk Al Gharb.

Security sources said four other people were injured near the town, which blocks lines of fire to the presidential palace and suburb of Baabda in east Beirut.

Junblatt, a minister in Hoss's administration, said Thursday pro-Syrian Lebanese militias hoped not to resort to force in the conflict.

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Shuttle mission on course despite heat problem

CAPE CANAVERAL (Agencies) — Discovery's commander, Frederick H. Hauck, told mission control soon after he and his four crew members achieved orbit 296 kilometres above earth.

"We're looking forward to the next four days — we have a lot to do and we're going to have a lot of fun doing it."

The relatively quiet schedule contrasts with the tense drama of fire and thunder as they rocketed into orbit Thursday and revived an American space programme that had been devastated 32 months earlier by the explosion of Challenger and the loss of its seven crew members.

"We sure appreciate your all getting us up in orbit the way we



THE WINNING PAIR: His Majesty King Hussein and His Royal Highness Prince Abdullah during Friday's Tal Al Rumman Hill Climb, which His Majesty won setting a record and Prince Abdullah finished second (see story on page 7)

Medical conference reviews services

AMMAN (Petra) — The sixth Jordanian Medical Conference and the first dermatology conference concluded in Amman Friday after three days of discussions on 62 working papers.

General as well as wartime medical and health services, unemployment among doctors and the health situation in the occupied territories were among the topics discussed.

Participants stressed the need for Arabising medical education and reviewed difficulties facing the process taking into account what was seen as Arab students' weakness in foreign languages and lack of necessary funds for translation and Arabisation of medical subjects.

Visible or invisible unemployment among doctors and imbalanced distribution of doctors between major cities and small villages and the increasing number of new medical graduates were also reviewed.

The conference also discussed the health situation in the occupied Arab territories, particularly in light of the ongoing Palestinian uprising there. The conference noted that the number of casualties had soared to 17,000 as a result of Israel's brutal measures against Arab citizens and the closure of many hospitals by the Israeli occupation authorities.

Participants also discussed the high infant and maternal mortality rates and the spread of contagious diseases as a result of inadequate primary health care facilities.

Taking part in the conferences were doctors from Egypt, Syria, Lebanon, Palestine, Saudi Arabia and Tunisia in addition to 2,000 Jordanian doctors and 20 non-Arab doctors.

The meetings also discussed issues related to AIDS and other skin diseases.

Commenting on the sixth medical conference, a Soviet participant described the standard of research papers presented to the conference as unique and of a very high standard that reflects the great progress in treating diseases, particularly those that concern many people nowadays. Soviet doctors attending the conference presented working papers on congenital anomalies and sevare appendicitis.

Nazmi expressed thanks and appreciation to Jordan for hosting the conference and thanked His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan, under whose patronage the meeting was held.

Israel to seek 'rights' to Taba hotel after losing arbitration

TEL AVIV (Agencies) — Israel, having lost a border dispute with Egypt over the Taba Red Sea beach resort, will seek "rights" to a luxury hotel on the site after the Nov. 1 general elections, government sources said Friday.

Gorbachev lauded the "the merits and achievements" of Gromyko, indicating that he was leaving in good standing.

The Kremlin's new ideology chief, Vadim Medvedev, told a news conference the shifts represented a clear gain for Gorbachev in his perestroika reform drive.

"The course of perestroika is advancing steadily," Medvedev, 59, declared after announcing the changes. He said the 300-strong Central Committee had met for less than an hour and approved the stunning reshuffle unanimously.

Gromyko, 79, served as foreign minister for 28 years before moving into the ceremonial post of president in 1985. He served under every Soviet leader except Vladimir Lenin.

The four men who retired alongside Gromyko were Mikhail Solomentsev, Pyotr Demichev, Vladimir Dolgikh and Dobrynin.

Solomentsev, like Gromyko, was a full member of the party's ruling politburo and headed the party's powerful watchdog body.

Dolgikh and Demichev were candidate (non-voting) members of the body, and Dobrynin was a Central Committee secretary who earlier served for 24 years as Soviet ambassador to Jordan.

He was seen off upon departure by Royal Jordanian Air Force Commander Ihsan Shurdon and senior Air Force officers and Greek Ambassador to Jordan Hannibal Vellidis.

But Israel's final response to the verdict on the 700-metre beach, delivered in Geneva Thursday by an international arbitration panel, will not come until after the election and will depend on who wins, the sources told Reuters.

Israel held on to Taba in 1982 when it withdrew from the rest of the Sinai peninsula under its 1979 treaty with Egypt.

But officials on both sides of the coalition cabinet said Israel would attempt to negotiate access to the resort. They also said the issue should not affect ties with Egypt.

However, the ruling in favour of Egypt has emerged as a major issue in Israel's election campaign as opposing parties accuse each other of political failure.

Shamir used the international panel's decision Thursday to forward his contention that an international Middle East peace conference could end up "forcing an unwanted settlement" on Israel.

But the Labour Party dismissed the argument. Instead, it used the

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Pakistani exhibition to help the handicapped

By Hind-Lara Mangö
Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN — Under the patronage of Her Majesty Queen Noor, a Pakistani fashion show will be held Saturday, Oct. 1, 1988, at Al Hussein Sports City Palace of Culture. The show includes displays of old Arabic and traditional Pakistani fashions. This melange designed to reflect the extent to which the Arabs influenced Pakistan's heritage.

When Islam came to the Indian sub-continent it not only affected dress, but all aspects of its art. For Islamic art brought with it certain characteristics of the era: geometric and animal shapes, the Arabic script, and motifs of rosettes and leaf scrolls. They were all extensively used in Pakistani fashions. Consequently, a lot of traditional Pakistani clothes have floral and abstract motifs embroidered on them originating from the Islamic period.

Before Islam, the original dress of the region was a piece of long cloth tied to the waist, which reached down to the knees. A similar piece was wrapped around the upper body. But after Islam came to their part of the world, skirt length became longer and trousers like the "Shalwar" was worn. So, typical Pakistani dress was transformed into a long shirt (Kamis') and a "Shalwar." A long scarf ('Kurt') was used to cover the hair.

To illustrate this Islamic influence, Hana Sadig Beraudo, the show's director, to exhibit slides and samples of clothes from Palestine, Syria, Yemen, Egypt, and Iraq. Each piece comes from this fashion designer's private collection, and is around 50 to 80 years old. They are heavily embroidered with geometric shapes and characters of their original countries. To complete this Arabic ambience, sounds of the 'Ud and Kanoun will accompany this part of the show.

It will be followed by fashion designer Zareen Ashhar's cultural scenes. Here she concentrates on the original dresses which come from the four provinces of Pakistan: the North West Frontier, the Punjab, Sind, and Baluchistan. These styles were worn by women villagers throughout the centuries. One example is the frontier costume which has real cloves heavily sewn into the Kamis to act as a natural deodorant. The dress is worn for six months and more until it literally falls apart.

Certain traditional ceremonies are acted out, displaying a vast variety of jewelry and clothes. A glimpse of the henna ceremony is offered a prospective bride groom visits his bride the night before the wedding to put henna on her hands. The wedding follows this ceremony, and here the bride makes a grand entrance on a multi-coloured 'Palquine' (a rectangular box in which the bride sits and is carried by four people.) The women assisting the bride are decked out with intricate gold jewelry and colourful

clothes.

Material used for these scenes are cotton and handwoven fabrics, and the styles range from the semi-formal to the formal. Ashhar said "I adapt the traditional style, such as the rapping-around skirt which first originated in Punjab, for the Pakistani woman of today." The hand-embroidery found on the material is mostly in 'gold' and silver threads.

Noorjehan Bilgrami, another fashion designer to exhibit her creations, graduated in fine arts and worked a lot with block printing. She said "This is an old craft which was dying out in Pakistan, so I decided to revive it by employing it in my designs." When she got involved in fashion and fabrics, she incorporated printing into her pieces. Her employees have backgrounds in this traditional field. "Most of my material is made out of loom fabric and I put a great deal of emphasis on hand work. My designs are classical and I try to modernise the fashions that were in our country before, without repeating the same pattern more than once," she said.

Bilgrami was wearing one of her designs during the interview. The grey Shalwar and Kamis were dominated by a dotted black rosette pattern. This was set off by a light sprinkling of pink embroidery on the edges of both shirt and shalwar. The net effect is a soft and harmonious composition.

Her aim is to show the common link between pattern and Islam, and her designs concentrate on five themes. The first is calligraphy. Clothes in this section have a lot of blacks, maroons, and golds in them. Stone is the second theme, and Bilgrami portrays it via an ocre colour. Tile and marble come next, and in the latter the designer tries to create the feeling or texture of marble through shimmery, fine and transparent clothes. Colours used here are mostly white, silver and gold.

A burst of colour will end this part of the show, connected to the fifth and final theme of the Moghul miniatures which are very detailed and have an abundance of gold. Thus, Bilgrami starts off with sateen tones, and ends with brightly coloured clothes.

Ending the show will be Maheen Mirza's modern styles. She keeps to the basic shirt and trousers, but adds her own personal 'twist' to them. These styles are very Western-looking and cater to the taste of the modern Pakistani woman. "Our women used to have several wardrobes when travelling-one to suit the Western style of life and another for the Pakistani. What I have tried to do is to give her a style that can be used for both cultures."

The collection focuses on evening wear, a light scattering of sequins, and a lot of Japanese fabrics which give the impression of silk. Rarely is raw silk used, due to the fact that it wrinkles



Egypt is one of the Islamic countries that has influenced Pakistani clothes

and is very impractical. The padded square jackets and the flowing Shalwars have a definite Western look.

Old and modern jewelry is shown together with the clothes. Hana Beraudo shows her collection from Yemen and Morocco. Many of them are 80 to 100 years old and include headresses, anklets, and intricately worked necklaces.

Pakistani jewelry designer, Parveen, shows her own collection of gold and silver ornaments.

The Pakistani jewelry is a combination of indigenous forms evident in rural ornaments, and the continuation of Muslim designs introduced in the 16th century by the Moghuls. It ranges from the heavy elaborate silver jewelry to bold and simple styles.

Hand-embroidered cushions, wall hangings, screens, wooden boxes in-laid with brass are all to be seen at the show. They are the

result of interior designer Shahida Khan's hard work. She employs Islamic patterns and modernizes them in her self-repeating and infinitely extendible motifs.

In these works there is a great abundance of silk needle work portraying not only an Islamic influence, but also a Chinese one.

The latter is evident in fabrics that have exotic birds dancing on a silky surface, surrounded by beaded foliage and inscriptions.

"I am trying to show what Pakistan can produce, and that it is now in a position to compete with anyone else when it comes to interior design," she said.

Those who can not attend this unique cultural event today, will have the chance to see the jewelry and Shahida Khan's work Sunday, Oct. 2 - admittance is free.

All proceeds will be in aid of the handicapped children in Jordan. Tickets, priced JD 1, 2, 5 and 10, are available on the door.

Meeting of companies established by CAEU starts today

AMMAN (Petra) — The 16th annual meeting of companies established by the Council of Arab Economic Unity (CAEU) opens in Amman Saturday, and delegates representing these companies are expected to discuss a working paper dealing with the companies' performances and means of promoting their activities.

According to a statement by the Amman-based CEAU the meeting will be attended by representatives of the Arab Mining Company, the Arab Company for Livestock Development, the Arab Company for Industrial Investment and the Arab Company for Drug Industries and Medical Appliance (ACDIMA).

On Thursday, the CEAU headquarters played host for the 14th meeting of the Arab statistics committee which groups Iraq, Syria, the United Arab Emirates, Bahrain, North and South Yemen, Palestine and Jordan as well as representatives of various regional organisations.

CAEU Secretary General Hassan Ibrahim delivered a speech urging Arab States to honour their financial commitments to the CEAU and its affiliated companies.

Jordan pledges to help curb Red Sea pollution

AMMAN (Petra) — A two-day regional meeting on the development of the Red Sea and the Gulf of Aden, and the protection of the two regions from pollution was concluded Thursday. Meeting Chairman Dr. Duraid Mahaseh said that several recommendation had been adopted which deal with defining the proportion of every country's contribution to the protection of the Red Sea and the Gulf of Aden, in accordance with the length of their corresponding coasts.

He added that if the contributing countries fail to pay their share, then such shares will be calculated in accordance with their respective contribution to the Arab League. Any deficiency will be made up for from other available sources.

He said that the meeting called for intensification of efforts to control all activities dealing with dumping suspect poisonous waste into the sea.

Dr. Mahaseh indicated that a decision was adopted to demand

the Director General of the United Nations Education, Scientific, and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO) to contact the relevant international circles so as to put pressure on the Israeli authorities to release the Palestinian academics and scientists who have been detained during the intifada.

Earlier, Minister of Education Thoqan Hindawi had stressed the importance of the Red Sea area in his opening address to the conference. "The Red Sea serves as one of the main arteries of communication between Arab countries and Europe, and plays a major role in the development of African and Asian countries' economies," he noted.

Other speakers tackled the question of pollution caused by harmful material, such as crude oil, and underlined the importance for the Red Sea littoral states to abide by an agreement they had earlier signed to safeguard the environment in the Red Sea and the Gulf of Aden zones.

Bridges to close Monday

AMMAN (Petra) — A total of 750 people will be allowed to cross the King Hussein Bridge and 350 people the Prince Mohammad Bridge, on the Jordan River Sunday Oct. 2, as the two bridges will be closed for traffic at 10 a.m., according to

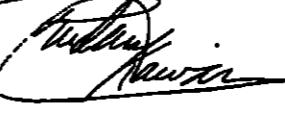
Public Security Department (PSD) statement. It said that the two bridges will be totally closed Monday Oct. 3, 1988 and will re-open for normal traffic Tuesday. The statement gave no reasons for the measures.

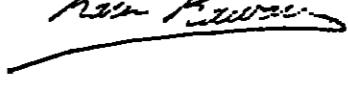
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22:35 Paris (RU)

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NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

CONGRATULATIONS: His Majesty King Hussein Friday cabled congratulations to the Chinese, Cypriot, and Nigerian presidents on the occasion of their countries' national day. The King wished the leaders good health hoping that their peoples would attain further progress and prosperity (Petra).

CONDOLENCES: His Majesty King Hussein Thursday cabled condolences to the ruler of Sharjah Sheikh Sultan Ibn Mohammad Al Qasimi on the death of his brother Sheikh Rashid Ibn Mohammad Al Qasimi (Petra).

FRENCH ARMY CHIEF LEAVES: French Army chief of staff Gen. Gilbert Forray left Amman Thursday at the end of a visit to Jordan which lasted several days during which he toured military positions and archaeological sites. Forray was also received in audience by His Majesty King Hussein and met with a number of military and civic leaders. He was seen off at the airport by Army Chief of Staff Faith Abu Taleb, French Ambassador to Jordan Patrick Leclercq, and other officials (Petra).

ABBADI RETURNS: Awqaf and Islamic Affairs Ministry Secretary General Dr. Abdul Salam Al Abbadi Friday returned to Amman after participating in the second meeting of the International Experts Committee, which the Islamic Development Bank had formed, in Jeddah. Dr. Abbadi said that he held contacts with IDB officials on ways to bolster the scholarship programme which the ministry offers for the study of Arabic language and Islamic Shari'a and culture.

220 DOCTORS TAKE OATH: Over 220 doctors, who had passed the comprehensive examination, Thursday took the oath before Health Minister Dr. Zaid Hamzeh.

PLANTING TREES IN JERASH: One thousand dunums of land in the Jerash Governorate have been prepared to be planted with 70,000 forest tree saplings in the coming agricultural season. The Agriculture Department director said that work is underway at present to plant forest and fruit trees in a 14 square kilometre area of land extending from Zarqa River until Tawahin Al Udwani (Petra).

Saudi prince ends visit

AMMAN (Petra) — The governor of the Saudi Arabian district of Tabuk, Prince Fahd Ibn Sultan Ibn Abdul Aziz Thursday concluded a visit to Jordan and flew home.

Prince Fahd, who had met with His Majesty King Hussein, His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan and Jordanian officials, toured a number of security centres in Jordan.

He discussed Jordanian-Saudi Arabian cooperation in security affairs with Minister of Interior Rajai Dajani and other officials.

WHAT'S GOING ON

The following listings are compiled from monthly bulletins and the daily Arabic press. Readers are advised to verify the listed time and place with the concerned institutions.

EXHIBITIONS

- Art exhibition by Omar Al Basoul, at the Housing Bank Complex.
- "The Individual, Sport and Olympic Games" Book Exhibit, at the American Centre.
- Book exhibition, at the Professional Association Complex.
- Book exhibition; at Al Walaja Cooperative Society, Jabal Nurha.
- Folkloric exhibition, at the Al Manarah Social Development Society, Al Manarah.
- An exhibition of paintings by Mohammad Shamseddine, at the Petra Bank Gallery.
- Islamic book exhibition and charity bazaar, at the Islamic Cultural Centre, University of Jordan.
- An exhibition of antiquities of Tell Abu Hamid agricultural settlement in the Jordan Valley, at the Department of Antiquities Registration Centre - 6:00 p.m.
- First Amman International Motor Show, organised by World of Cars Magazine, four kilometres away from the Seventh Circle.
- Pakistani cultural exhibition, at the Al Hussein Sports City.
- Latest collection of Bani Hamida Rugs, at the Arab Jordan Investment Bank Courtyard (opposite the Islamic Bank) — 10:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

FILM

- Video film for children: Banana Paul ("Banana Paul") at the Goethe Institute — 4:30 p.m.

CONCERT

- U.S. musician Paul Heisler presents a live concert, at the Royal Cultural Centre in the evening.

LECTURE

- Zaid Abu Ghaneim gives a lecture on "The Islamic Movement in the Eyes of Western Information Media," at the Abdul Hameed Shoman Foundation — 6:00 p.m.

Two Palestinians killed

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Another 12-year-old Palestinian was shot and wounded in the stomach in a clash in the West Bank city of Nablus, Ittihad hospital officials said. A 23-year-old man was wounded in the leg in the West Bank's Tulkarem, they said.

Also Thursday, Chief of Staff Dan Shomron defended the army's use of plastic bullets against demonstrators, saying it enabled soldiers "to break up protests with minimal casualties."

Shomron's comments followed sharp rebukes by the United States and Britain and charges by U.N. officials that the new weapon had caused Palestinian casualties to soar.

"Plastic bullets enable us to disperse violent demonstrations while keeping casualties to a minimum," Shomron said on Israel Radio. "Other means may not cause injuries, but they also don't break up" protests.

Hospital officials in Gaza Strip said three Palestinians were killed by plastic bullets Tuesday. Israeli army officials, speaking anonymously, confirmed the new weapon caused at least two of the deaths.

U.N. officials have said soldiers wounded 130 Palestinians in the Gaza Strip.



KING RECEIVES HART: His Majesty King Hussein received at the Nadwa Palace Thursday evening visiting U.S. Senator Gary Hart who is now on a tour of the Middle East region (Petra photo)

3 doctors to speak on medical aid during war

AMMAN (J.T.) — Three physicians will address on Sunday, Oct. 2, at 4:00 p.m., at the Chamber of Commerce in Shmeisani, on "Administering Medical Aid Under War Conditions." The meeting is open to the public.

The three doctors have had extensive experience in delivering medical care to Palestinians. Dr. Swee Chai Ang is an orthopedic

surgeon who will soon serve patients in Ahli Arab Hospital in Gaza under UNRWA. She directed orthopedic treatment in Sabra and Shatila camps in Lebanon. Dr. Runa McKay worked from the 50's through the 70's at the Nazareth Hospital. Her most recent assignment has been in Beirut. Dr. Kiran Gargesh has recently worked in Rashadiyah camp in southern Lebanon.

Meeting reviews papers on wastewater treatment

AMMAN (Petra, J.T.) — A six-day regional seminar on the treatment and use of sewage effluent for irrigation ended in Amman Thursday with a recommendation calling on a number of world organisations to help set up an experimental agricultural project in Jordan benefiting from treated waste.

The seminar, in which delegates from Jordan, Egypt and Cyprus took part, reviewed a number of working papers on the treatment of wastewater and recycling it for irrigation and other purposes.

A statement issued at the closing session urged delegates from the three countries to work out plans that could be implemented in three to ten years in Jordan with backing from international organisations enabling the country to benefit from recycled water.

The statement also urged further

cooperation between the three countries and world organisations, such as the World Health Organisation (WHO) and the U.N. Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO), in the exchange of expertise.

It called for the creation of water departments in each of the three countries to take up the responsibility of drawing up policies, allocating budgets for water projects and to supervise research work in water affairs.

The statement recommended that priority should always be given to projects that ensure sufficient amounts of drinking water for domestic use. It also recommended that a model plan should be worked out to promote surface and underground development to control water resources, to develop wastewater treatment plants and to take precautionary measures to protect water resources.

Israel to seek 'rights' to hotel

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Egypt's relations with Israel. He warned, however, that relations would remain less than excellent until Palestinians obtain their legitimate rights.

"It gives us great pleasure that the verdict of the Taba arbitration panel confirms Egypt's historic and legal right to that precious piece of our land," said Ghalil.

"I would like to confirm our objective view in this case which is that it is not a victory for one

side and a loss for the other as much as a consolidation of the peace process."

He said Egypt hopes the development will herald a new phase in relations with Israel and allow the two sides to grasp lost opportunities for peace in the area.

An Israeli official who asked not to be identified said among options considered by Israel were shared ownership, an arrangement whereby Israelis could use the hotel without a passport or Israeli management of the hotel.

Gromyko retired, Ligachev moved

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after Gorbachev took office. But his conservative approach to many aspects of reform made him appear at odds with the Kremlin leader.

In his new post, Ligachev will oversee party policy on improving food supplies, a Gorbachev priority and one of the toughest problems on the reform agenda.

Chebrikov, who also indicated alarm that democratisation under Gorbachev might be getting out of hand, was appointed a secretary of the Central Committee and head of a new commission on legal policy.

This signalled his impending

departure from the KGB security police — possibly at Saturday's session of the Supreme Soviet, the country's parliament.

The leadership meeting was called on short notice and required several top officials, including Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze, to cut short foreign visits and rush home.

Interior Minister Alexander Vlasov, the nation's top policeman, was made an alternate member of the politburo, as were Alexander Biryukova, the highest-ranking woman in the Soviet hierarchy, and Anatoly Lukyanov, general department chief.

In west Beirut, Hoss told all public institutions to abide by the orders of his cabinet in order to keep public administration alive.

He also met members of his government, including Junblatt as minister of tourism, transport and public works.

On Thursday, Lebanese leaders called for parliament to convene quickly to elect a new president and end the constitutional crisis.

They declared support for the Hoss cabinet and denounced the Aoun cabinet for its "efforts to create a factional military role."

The 50 political figures, 11 of them pro-Syrian Christians, were attending an "emergency national conference" called by Parliament Speaker Hussein Husseini in the heavily guarded Bristol hotel in west Beirut.

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to ease tension, Christian leaders opposed to Syria did not show up at the meeting.

Former and current government ministers and parliamentary deputies, including Hoss, Junblatt and Shi'ite militia chieftain Nabih Berri attended the meeting, held the day after a car bomb exploded at a Syrian army checkpoint south of Beirut.

Five people were killed and 21 wounded. There was no claim of responsibility.

The conference stressed in a statement that coexistence was "sacred" and that "any act that aims at toppling it is a crime against the Lebanese people and nation."

They called for "reforms to the political system to achieve justice and equality of opportunity for all Lebanese ... by abolishing political sectarianism."

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Seminar recommends projects to boost regional development

AMMAN (J.T.) — Development councils in the Amman, Balqa and Zarqa governorates have concluded a three-day seminar to discuss projects and means of promoting the development process in their respective regions.

A final statement issued at the closing session included a set of recommendations dealing with agriculture, industry, tourism, environment, local councils, education, social development, youth, housing and culture.

In agriculture, the statement recommended that the government help put an end to the disintegration of large agricultural land holdings, increase afforestation programmes, allow farmers to use treated wastewater for irrigation, build more desert dams to collect water, establish a public company to provide seeds and fertilisers to farmers, encourage the creation of agricultural cooperatives, exempt spare parts of agricultural machinery from customs duty, allow stock breeders to export

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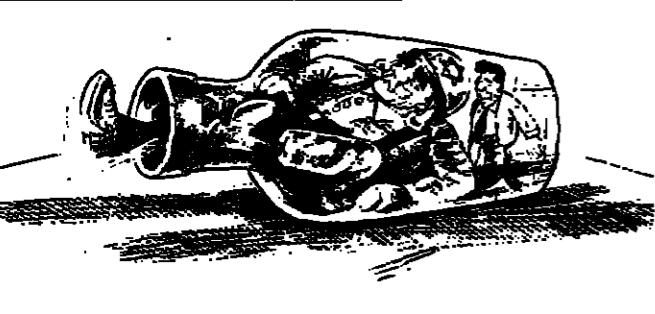
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ARABIC PRESS EDITORIALS

ARABIC daily newspapers Friday dealt with three different topics ranging from domestic issues to regional affairs.

AL RA'I daily discussed the spate of meetings, conferences and seminars going on in Amman, describing them as a healthy symptom and a constructive attitude on behalf of local and regional organisations. Amman is serving as a free forum for all organisations, and is hosting delegates who are bent on probing methods and means to promote national and pan-Arab development at all levels, said the paper. Only through quiet dialogues and discussions can the citizens of the Arab World contribute towards the construction and the development of their nation, the paper concluded.

For its part AL DUSTOUR daily referred to Israel's continued repressive measures against the Arab population of Palestine as the Palestinian uprising escalates and intensifies day by day. The uprising has succeeded in winning the backing of the world community, and with their perseverance the Palestinians will continue to win the respect of all peoples of the world, the paper added. The paper criticised Israeli Foreign Minister Shimon Peres's statement before the U.N. General Assembly in which he claimed that the Palestinians have not approached the future yet with a peace message. But Peres has not asked himself why the Palestinians have opted to violence and resistance activities with stones to achieve their goal, the paper noted. It said that as long as the occupation continues the Palestinians will maintain their struggle and will not be deterred by Zionist statements intended to dissipate their efforts.

Saw Al Shaab Arabic daily said in an editorial that the five member nations of the U.N. Security Council should shoulder their responsibility and resolve regional conflicts that had caused so much destruction and loss of life. The paper criticised the major powers which "instead of pooling their efforts to achieve world peace have been supplying the smaller nations with weapons to destroy one another and have been resorting to the right of veto at the council meetings whenever needed to steer the destiny of nations in their own favour. The veto was particularly used time and again whenever the fate of the Palestinians was discussed, thus encouraging the Israelis to pursue their repressive policies," the paper noted. It said that it was time the major powers took action to end the regional conflicts which were caused largely due to the consequences of colonial rule.

In its Thursday's edition, AL RA'I Arabic daily commented on Israel's hostile campaign against Jordan in which it alleged that Amman was exercising pressure on the PLO to defer the announcement of a Palestinian provisional government until after Israel's parliamentary election that Shimon Peres's position would not be impaired. This latest campaign which came close on the heels of another hostile onslaught against the Jordanian currency, reflects Israel's deep enmity to this country and its lies and fabrications against Jordan which firmly supports the rights of the Palestinians and their just struggle, the paper noted. Peres remains a notorious symbol of the Zionist hierarchy; and Jordan can by no means advocate his cause and has no interest in seeing him elected, the paper stressed. Israel must understand that Jordan which severed its links with the West Bank, has decided not to interfere in the PLO's internal affairs and its decisions, the paper added.

For its part AL DUSTOUR daily dwelt on a two-day seminar to review the work of development councils in Amman, Zarqa and Balqa governorates and Prince Hassan's address to the delegates. Such gatherings are considered as a new phase in the process of national development based on dialogue and self assessment, the paper noted. The paper referred to the Prince's emphasis on the need of involving a wider popular base in the implementation of development schemes, and stressed that close cooperation by the private and public sectors is urgently needed if these projects are to be successful. The paper also referred to Prime Minister Zaid Rifai's statement at the final session and paid tribute to the government for its keenness on promoting the agricultural sector.

ARABIC PRESS COMMENTARIES

How sincere

UNDER the headline "How Sincere is the Congressman's Conscience," columnist Mu'nis Al Razzaz sarcastically writes in the Arabic daily AL DUSTOUR criticising U.S. congressmen's careless attitude towards the Palestinian people's suffering in the occupied territories. Enquiring why the U.S. House of Representatives does not vote against the use by "Zionist forces" of plastic bullets in the occupied territories and why the U.S. Senate does not pass a bill imposing an embargo on the sale of sophisticated weapons to the Zionist state in the wake of its use of rubber bullets against children and old people in Palestine, Al Razzaz quotes the Israeli defence minister as saying that plastic and rubber bullets were used on a large-scale to "inflict the largest possible casualties." Arguing that the United States is a democratic state, Al Razzaz says that the U.S. Congress is thus expected to pass a bill imposing military and technological boycott on Israel. The massacre, against the Palestinians in the occupied territories, which was escalated during the past few days, will have an impact on the U.S. congressmen's "conscience" since they shed tears and light candles merely for the sight of Lech Walesa on television. We, consequently, believe that they will be astounded when they learn about "the annihilation of the Palestinians through the use of the horrible rubber and plastic weapons."

Israeli military, media prepare ground

By Israel Shahak

THE development in Israeli-Jewish society over the last 14 years have been caused to a large extent by the reaction to the 1973 war, its losses and even its surprises. Those developments caused the Hebrew press to adopt a new role. Until then most of the press — with the full approval of the majority of the readers — used to approve every step taken by the Israeli government concerning foreign affairs, which in Israel included, and still does, everything "which has to do with the Arabs." Now, as in other Western societies, it is critical and suspicious. In this it serves as a faithful mirror of its readers who represent the majority of the middle and upper classes of Israeli society. Many people, particularly the older generations and supporters of the right wing and the religious parties, abominate this new development.

At present, the Hebrew press serves both as an instrument for criticising government policies and for persuading its readers. A significant part of the upper and middle classes, whose military importance is greater than their numbers since they are prominent in the "elite" units and in the officer ranks of the other units of the Israeli army, has to be persuaded about the necessity of a policy in order to support it. It should be remembered that the Israeli invasion of Lebanon of 1982 was preceded by a concentrated propaganda campaign *inside Israel*, which actually managed to persuade a majority of

Israelis of its necessity. In consequence, the invasion and then the occupation of a great part of Lebanon were supported for quite some time by the majority. The "necessity" for the invasion of Lebanon was explained and debated in the Hebrew press, but the clear impression was given that it was supported by the highest political, military and intelligence authorities. Thus the invasion could be predicted as a strong probability long before it happened.

Because of this past experience, certain passages published recently in articles written by prestigious Israeli commentators acquire a special significance. I will quote only a few of many similar passages published in all Hebrew papers, concentrating on what can be regarded as the best of them, *Ha'aretz*.

After reserve Colonel Aharon Lavran, a former senior officer in military intelligence and at present a researcher in the prestigious Yaffe Institute of Tel Aviv university, published another of his articles about the coming war and the necessity for Israel to hold on to the occupied territories, Ze'ev Schiff, the most important Israeli strategic and military commentator, wrote in rebuttal (*Ha'aretz*, 7 July 1988):

"Lavran's formula for the territories will mean that we will also want the area of Jordan as a security belt. Because the inhabitants of the territories are not submitting to the conquest, Israel will be dragged to put into effect the transfer (the expulsion of the Palestinians) which is advocated

now by Kahane and Res. Gen. Rahavam Ze'evi. Not a transfer by agreement, but an expulsion which will cause bloodshed, a revolt of the Arabs of the "Land of Israel," a general war of Arabs against us and an international anger against us which will legitimise a total war against Israel."

The very use of the term "Arabs of the Land of Israel" shows that Schiff is not a member of any kind of a peace or protest

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movement but writes as a part of the Israeli establishment. Indeed, he quotes a number of Israeli reserve generals to support his views, but he also implies that in the ranks of the serving generals prevailing opinions are different.

On 14 July 1988, a week later, Reuven Padatsur, the second military correspondent of *Ha'aretz*, who has direct contacts with the army authorities, published an article under the significant title of *The Return of the Pre-emptive Strike*. After a long description of the size of the Arab airforces, including most significantly, the Egyptian airforce, and giving special emphasis to the Saudi airforce and its recent purchases, and coming to the conclusion that the Israeli airforce may have difficulty in finding

enough planes to contain a coalition of all the Arab states fighting Israel together, Padatsur states:

"The most efficient solution in such a scenario is, of course, the prior neutralisation of the Saudi, or the Jordanian, or the Syrian threat. An examination of the amount of sophisticated military equipment, which is either present in the Arab states or which is due to reach them during the next few years, means that the time for Israel to conclude that its airforce will have difficulty in dealing at the same time with all the aerial threats which may be directed against Israel during the time of war, is advancing with giant steps. The logical result of a conclusion of this kind is to make the principle of the pre-emptive strike into a permanent and vital component in the military doctrine of the Israeli army."

"If we add to the considerations of the military system (an Israeli concept which combines the army and all branches of the intelligence service) the need to prevent missiles reaching the Israeli interior, knowing that in the foreseeable future the Israeli army will not have a weapon system capable of shooting down earth-to-earth missiles, we will find that as the number of the missiles which are situated outside the Israeli borders grows, so also grows the reasonableness of the Israeli use of the pre-emptive strike which will be directed against the missile bases."

The article concludes:

"It seems that there is nothing wrong in a return of the principle

of the pre-emptive strike to the bosom of the Israeli security conception, but we should remember that political considerations may make the decision to realise it more difficult. Making the principle of the pre-emptive strike into a vital component of the doctrine of the Israeli army may cause a heavy political price to be paid — if the Israeli army has to put it into practice."

We can add to this the declaration of the commander of the Israeli airforce, General Avihu Ben-Nun (*Ha'aretz*, 18 July 1988) that "at the very moment when the Syrians estimate that they have reached a strategic balance with Israel they will begin a war."

The greatest obstacle to understanding the reality of the threat of the Israeli pre-emptive strike, is what I believe to be the false myth of the cleverness of Israeli intelligence. This myth holds, despite the intelligence service having been easily deceived by the Lebanese Phalangists, its continuous failures during the intifada and its being caught by surprise by Iran's acceptance of resolution 598. In fact, the first assumption outsiders should make when considering Israeli military and intelligence affairs is that those who determine the Israeli military and foreign policies are rigid in their stupidities, which they call "principles" and "doctrines," and are thus incapable of changing them. Many of the open and hidden assumptions in the long passage of Padatsur, quoted above, which represents very accurately the underlying

ADC protests with State Department over Israel's violation of Palestinian human rights

WASHINGTON (J.T.) — Richard Schifter, the U.S. assistant secretary of state for humanitarian affairs, met Sept. 14 with a delegation of human rights activists headed by American Arab Anti-Discrimination Committee (ADC) President Abdeen Jabara. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss U.S. policy towards the flagrant and on-going human rights violations being committed by Israel in the occupied territories, according to an ADC statement.

During the two-hour meeting it was learned that the state department had made a number of private representations to Israel on issues concerning human rights and that a direct channel of communication with the Israeli Army had not produced the expected results.

Butler urged a concerned Schifter to take the necessary steps to pressure Israel to conform to internationally recognised standards of respect for

human rights. He noted that it was continued U.S. economic and military aid that was, in part, financing Israeli policies in the West Bank and Gaza.

Robinson, an expert in the painful Algerian struggle for independence from France, stated that the brutality of Israeli conduct toward Palestinians exceeded the well-documented history of French military violence against the Algerian civilian population. She also noted that 900 delegates to a recent annual conference of the United Methodist Church had virtually unanimously adopted a resolution calling for an end to all U.S. aid to Israel.

Baron reported that State Department officials at the meeting expressed interest in receiving the report as soon as it is complete.

included Dale Dean of the Israeli desk, Regional Director for Middle East Affairs David Rabban and Deputy Assistant Secretary Robert Farrand, were "genuinely concerned about the situation" and "seemed to be increasingly uncomfortable with Israeli policy." She also noted that, according to the officials present, Congress is under a great deal of pressure to place conditions on future economic assistance to Israel.

Abdeen Jabara informed Schifter that ADC is currently preparing a data-base listing thousands of cases of Israeli human rights abuses since the beginning of the Palestinian uprising. Officials at the meeting expressed interest in receiving the report as soon as it is complete.

Babies in Israel — the Brazilian connection

By Jane Hunter

IN JUNE the Israeli high court ruled that Bruna Goncalves, the two-year-old girl Simone and Yaakov Turgeman had adopted 20 months earlier and called Carolyn, must be returned to Rosida Goncalves and Luis Vasconcelos, whom tissue-typing tests had verified were the baby's natural parents. Bruna had been kidnapped by a babysitter in Curitiba, Brazil.

For a while, the relentlessly personal coverage of the Turgemans' heartbreak obscured the political landscape of their ordeal. About 3,000 babies are taken from Brazil each year. The majority of them end up in Israel. Some, like Bruna are kidnapped; Most of them are sold by their poor, often single, mothers for sums as small as \$10. Many of the babies are taken to Paraguay, where they fetch between \$10,000 and \$30,000. Israelis are reportedly willing to pay more for them than nationals of other countries. None of the Israeli adoptions have been legalised in the Brazilian courts, a procedure which takes about a year and requires the signatures of the child's mother on the birth certificate. It is quicker to buy the babies in Paraguay.

Just as a court-appointed psychologist was preparing Bruna to make the transition to a new life in Brazil with her natural parents, before it could ebb off the front pages, the Turgemans' story was thrust back into its political context by the arrest in Brazil of four Israelis and Angela Grinplastch, a Jerusalem resident of undetermined citizenship. Grinplastch, who was charged with buying a baby and selling it in Israel — papers were seized from her relating to previous sales — promptly jumped bail. The other Israelis, alleged to have bought babies from her, were given a choice of expulsion or going on trial for illegally registering a baby; they chose the latter.

At the end of June, as Bruna left for Brazil with her natural parents, the *Jerusalem Post* reported that 18 Israeli couples who had adopted Brazilian children had fled Israel, fearful that they too could lose their children to an Israeli court order. Other adop-

tion agencies would be compiled and made available and that ultimately the ministry, which has been harshly criticised for its administration of adoptions, would set up a non-profit agency to take over this function.

However, Katzav said that the ministries of foreign affairs, justice and the interior were blocking the establishment of such an agency — but he would not say why — Middle East International, London.

Minister Katzav offered to

check adoption papers and said

that parents could submit them anonymously. But he told journalists that if the papers were forged, his ministry would not help parents break Brazilian law. He said that a list of reputable foreign adoption agencies would be compiled and made available and that ultimately the ministry, which has been harshly criticised for its administration of adoptions, would set up a non-profit agency to take over this function.

In the case of the Turgemans, a spokesman for Central TV — a British television company that investigated the trafficking in Brazilian babies and, along with Brazilian police, helped locate Bruna — contended that "there is no doubt that the couple was fully aware that the girl, Bruna Goncalves, had been stolen from her mother."

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OPEN FORUM

Islam has the solution

FROM among major problems encountered by modern people is that of racism. The materially advanced nations can send man to the moon, but they cannot stop him from hating and fighting his fellow man.

In my opinion, the solution for this issue is embedded in Islam.

First, Islam over the last 1400 years, has shown in practice how racism can be removed. Every year, during the Haj (pilgrimage to Mecca), hundreds of thousands of Muslims of different races and nationalities, different colours and tongues, perform a very clear manifestation of brotherhood, seen in action when the faithful perform *salatw* (circumambulation) wearing similar white garments, or when they repeat together in a united voice *salatw* (response to God) — they say "Oh, Allah, Here I'm At Your Service."

This, of course, gives you a splendid imagination of The Day of Judgment, on which all would appear before God, and it also makes you understand the spirit of Haj.

Second, the family, the basic unit of human civilisation, that is disintegrating in the West, while the Islamic family system brings in a fine equilibrium the rights of men, women, children and relatives. Islam nourishes human unselfishness, generosity, brotherhood and love in a well-organised family system.

Finally, at present, human beings live according to their view of life. The tragedy of secular society is that it fails to integrate the different aspects of life. The secular and the religious, the scientific and the spiritual, all seem to be in conflict. Islam puts an end to this conflict by bringing harmony to man's vision of life. This is symbolised in Muslims' participations in different sciences; like mathematics, geography, medicine, astronomy etc.

For example, the Muslim surgeon, Albucasis — in Arabic Al Zahrawi, who died in 1013, was along with his wealthy knowledge of religion, an Arab surgeon who invented many surgical tools at the time. Many Muslim scholars, likewise, participated in many different activities rather than religion; such as mathematics, astronomy and other sciences.

This is because Islam is a very open religion, not complex; and it provokes its followers to be scientists and researchers, and to investigate the mysteries of nature.

This could be noticed through reading the following two verses of the Holy Quran:

"Say, Are those equal, those who know and those who do not know? It is those who are endued with understanding that receives admonition."

And:

"Say: Travel through the earth and see how God did originate creation; so will God produce a later creation: For God has power over all things."

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Syria calls for meeting on Israeli satellite

DAMASCUS (R) — Syria Thursday called for an urgent meeting of telecommunication administrators in the Arab World to discuss the danger from Israel's first space satellite. Government officials said Syria had sent messages which pointed out that the satellite would be used for spying and aggressive purposes against Arab countries. Israel launched the satellite on September 19 and claimed it had no military or spying function.

Algeria steps up security around ports

ALGIERS (R) — Algeria has stepped up safety and security in and around the country's main ports and oil and gas terminals, the Algerian APS news agency announced. APS said government ministers approved the new measures at a routine cabinet meeting Tuesday. They cover ways of improving the safe passage of ships into port, loading and unloading facilities, reactions to criminal activities, signalling, lighting and communications. The main ports affected are Algiers, Arzew, Bejaia, Skikda, and Annaba.

Egyptian newspapers to cost more

CAIRO (R) — The price of Egypt's daily newspapers will go up by a third as of Saturday to meet the increased costs of imported newsprint, press reports said Thursday. Al Ahram newspaper said the government-appointed Supreme Press Council had approved the rise and newspapers would now cost 20 piasters (nine cents) instead of 15 piasters (six cents). Newsprint prices were raised by 50 per cent in November last year for the same reason.

West Germany to send ambassador to Libya

WASHINGTON (R) — West Germany has decided to send an ambassador to Libya despite U.S. opposition, an embassy spokesman said Thursday. The envoy will fill a vacancy created two-and-a-half years ago at the height of alleged Libyan "terrorist" activity. "We are having an ambassador there very shortly," said a spokesman for the West German embassy. West Germany withdrew its ambassador to Tripoli in the upheaval following the April 5, 1986, bombing at a West Berlin discotheque frequented by U.S. soldiers. One soldier was killed and 64 were injured. The United States claimed it had intercepted telephone communications which provided evidence the attack was led by Libyans in their embassy in West Germany. That led to the U.S. bombing of Libya on April 15, 1986.

Italian warships end Gulf escorts

ROME (AP) — Defence Minister Valerio Zanone has ordered Italian navy vessels in the Gulf to end their escorts of Italian merchant ships through the waterway, the defence ministry said Thursday. The ships — two frigates, two minesweepers and a support ship — will remain in the Gulf to keep the shipping lanes under surveillance and to offer assistance if necessary. The ministry said Zanone sent the order Tuesday to end the direct escort "in light of the reduction in the level of tension that characterises the actual situation in the Gulf and the credible prospect of holding the truce between Iran and Iraq."

Turkey seeks to resettle Kurdish refugees

ANKARA (R) — Turkey wants a quick response from several countries, including Australia, Britain, Canada and the Netherlands, on resettlement requests by Iraqi Kurdish refugees, the foreign ministry said Thursday. It said a total of 1,216 of more than 50,000 Kurds who fled to Turkey from Iraq had specified that they wanted to live permanently elsewhere. Of these, 879 sought to go to the Netherlands, 110 to Australia, 93 to Canada,

60 to Syria, 41 to Britain, 22 to West Germany and 11 to Sweden. Ambassadors from the seven countries had been told of the requests, the ministry's statement said, and "we would be pleased for prompt responses to our call."

Cyprus, Iran restore full diplomatic ties

NICOSIA, Cyprus (AP) — Iran and Cyprus are to establish full diplomatic relations, both countries announced Thursday. Iran will open an embassy in Nicosia to be headed by a chargé d'affaires and a Cypriot ambassador will be accredited to Tehran. The announcements did not specify when the diplomats will be exchanged, but said it will take place "in the near future." Relations between the two countries have been growing in recent months, with Iran Air resuming flights through Cyprus early this year.

Iran says it wants lasting peace

WEST BERLIN (R) — Iran has said it wanted lasting and honourable peace in the Gulf and was ready to reconstruct and expand its war-ravaged economy. Economy and Finance Minister Mohammad Javad Iravani told the annual meeting of the International Monetary Fund and World Bank that Iran's acceptance of U.N. Security Council Resolution 598 last July proved the nation wanted peace with Iraq. "We hope that a sound and solid foundation can be laid for durable and honourable peace both in the Gulf and the rest of the world," Iravani said.

FROM THE WORLD'S PRESS...

Israel aims to disrupt West Bank agriculture

HALHUL — Israel is putting a new spin on an old tactic designed to contain the Palestinian uprising, now in its 10th month. Since the uprising began, Israel has used "collective punishment" such as curfews to penalise entire communities for the deeds of... anti-Israeli demonstrators.

Now the tactic is being applied through restrictions on agriculture. If used widely, the measures could devastate the economy of the West Bank.

Marketing restrictions imposed by the Israeli army hobbled this year's harvest of the West Bank's \$6-million plum and \$18 million grape crops.

Palestinians are watching anxiously to see whether Israel will also disrupt the olive harvest, beginning in October. An expected bumper crop could be worth \$125 million and provide 30 per cent of the West Bank's income.

"If the olive producers face any picking, pressing, or marketing restrictions, it will be a disaster for the farmers and for the West Bank economy," says Adnan Obeidat, a specialist on West Bank farm cooperatives.

Israel is unlikely to choose to bring the entire industry to its knees, given the probable negative public relations fallout and the need to preserve a merchant middle class in the territories, several West Bank sources concede.

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Kuwait reopens Tehran embassy

By Abdol Jalil Mustafa
The Associated Press

KUWAIT — Two Kuwaiti diplomats are in Tehran and have reopened their embassy there in a major step toward normalising relations between the two northern Gulf states who were on the brink of war a few months ago, a senior Iranian diplomat said Thursday.

Mohammad Faroughy, Iran's chargé d'affaires in Kuwait, told the Associated Press that relations between the Gulf neighbours were warming rapidly following the Aug. 20 ceasefire in the Iran-Iraq war.

Kuwait expelled five Iranian diplomats in September last year, reducing Iran's embassy staff to Faroughy and an aide, after mobs stormed the Kuwaiti embassy in Tehran following riots in the holy city of Mecca in Saudi Arabia.

But Kuwait stopped short of actually severing relations with Tehran as Saudi Arabia did later, citing Iranian subversion and terrorism.

Well-informed sources said the Kuwaiti diplomats in Tehran are a chargé d'affaires and a counselor, putting Kuwaiti representation on a par with Iran's.

The sources said they expect

both countries to gradually increase the size of their representations.

The improvement in relations, which has been building up for several months, is part of a regional stabilisation set in motion by Iran's July 18 unconditional acceptance of the United Nations-sponsored ceasefire and peace talks to end the 8-year-old Gulf war.

Faroughy, asked when the Kuwaitis arrived in the Iranian capital, said: "a short time ago."

He added: "We maintain good relations with Kuwait and there are no obstacles that hinder normalisation."

The move came after Kuwait's minister of state for foreign affairs, Saud Al Osaimi, expressed Kuwait's keenness to normalise relations with Iran.

His remarks in an interview with the Washington Post were prominently played on the front pages of Kuwait's pro-government newspapers Thursday.

Osaimi said Kuwait was working on reestablishing normal relations with Iran despite war-time missile attacks on Kuwait and a wave of Iranian-inspired terrorism.

"We want to forget the past. There's no reason to keep the

tension going on," Osaimi said. Faroughy said: "We welcome Osaimi's statement about Kuwait's keenness on normalising political and commercial relations with Iran."

Kuwait was the Gulf state closest to the war zone. Iran repeatedly accused it of directly aiding Iraq's war effort.

Shi'ite Muslim extremists, apparently linked to Iran, carried out bombings and sabotage and made an attempt to assassinate Kuwait's emir, Sheikh Jaber Al Ahmed Al Sabah, in 1985.

Kuwait was also accused of being involved in the hijacking of a Kuwaiti airliner in April.

The Iranians fired several long-range missiles at Kuwait's coastal regions and repeatedly singled out its ships for attack.

That forced the Kuwaitis to register 11 of their tankers in the United States so they would get U.S. navy protection, heralding a major Western naval buildup in the strategic waterway.

Relations between Kuwait and Iran hit their lowest point in August last year after more than 400 Muslim pilgrims, 275 of them Iranians, were killed in what the Saudis said was Iranian-inspired rioting in Mecca. Iranian mobs stormed the Saudi and Kuwaiti

missions in Tehran.

"We never had a direct problem with Iran," Osaimi told the Washington Post, terming Iran's attacks on Kuwait as only a by-product of the war with Iraq.

"We have received some Iranian officials after the ceasefire, who made it clear Iran wanted normal ties with Kuwait," he said.

In March, Kuwait's foreign minister, Sheikh Sabah Al Ahmed, said his country would send its diplomats back to Tehran in a bid to ease strained relations.

He told reporters, without elaboration, two weeks ago that work at the Kuwaiti embassy in Tehran was returning to normal. Kuwait's emir affirmed at the U.N. General Assembly Wednesday that Kuwait and other Gulf Arab countries wished to cooperate with Iran and Iraq to restore peace and stability to the region.

He said that no matter how long wars last, "the belligerents eventually have no alternative to coexistence and cooperation."

Kuwait, with Saudi Arabia, Qatar, Bahrain, Oman and the United Arab Emirates, formed the Gulf Cooperation Council, a security and economic alliance, a few months after the war broke out in September 1980.

Rebels to halt attacks on civilians

In Islamabad, radical Afghan guerrilla leader Gulbuddin Hekmatyar said Thursday he had ordered his fighters to stop shooting at civilian targets in Kabul.

In a press statement released here, he said he had told Mujahideen rebels to step up attacks instead on important military targets around the Afghan capital.

The Western-backed Muslim guerrillas have carried out various rocket attacks on Kabul causing heavy civilian casualties since Soviet troops began withdrawing from Afghanistan in May under U.N.-mediated accords.

Afghan and Soviet authorities say rocket attacks on Kabul on Monday and Tuesday killed about 50 people and wounded more than 150.

Kabul and Moscow accuse Pakistan of encouraging the attacks, a charge denied by Islamabad.

Soviets: U.N. failing in Afghanistan

UNITED NATIONS (Agencies)

— On the day U.N. peacekeeping forces won the Nobel Peace Prize, the Soviet Union said U.N. observers in Afghanistan were failing to do their job and cited specific violations it said threatened the peace accord.

Soviet foreign ministry spokesman Gennady Gerasimov said Thursday the United Nations Good Offices Mission in Afghanistan and Pakistan (UNGOMAP) "was not doing its job properly."

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— Up to 900 rebels are being trained on a Pakistan army base by instructors from China, the United States and Pakistan.

— A special coordinating committee has been established with the armed forces of Pakistan to assist the rebel effort.

— A rebel headquarters is based in Pakistan.

— Pakistani authorities are patrolling Afghan refugee camps, preventing their return home.

Gerasimov said the Soviet Union repeated earlier complaints that weapons to the rebels were being funnelled through Pakistan.

— An alliance of seven rebel groups has established a transitional government on Pakistani territory and Pakistani authorities have done nothing to stop it.

— Training centres for rebel soldiers are staffed by Pakistani army officers and are located in Pakistan.

— The troop withdrawal was "somewhat linked" to the Pakistani violations.

Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze told reporters in New York earlier this week that the second phase of the withdrawal, scheduled to begin on Aug. 15, had not begun.

Kozyrev said the suspension of the troop withdrawal was "somewhat linked" to the Pakistani violations.

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Berlin meeting calls for freer trade

WEST BERLIN (R) — Monetary leaders of 151 nations ended annual talks Thursday with a growing consensus that freer trade plus a new emphasis on defending the environment are needed in the race to alleviate world poverty.

World Bank President Barber Conable summed up the themes of the meetings of the finance ministers and central bankers in the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and World Bank.

He said that Third World economies must expand to be able to grow out of the burden of their \$1.2 trillion debt, so they needed better access to world markets for their goods.

"These fragile economies must move beyond their borders to survive," he told a news conference.

Conable also said: "Poverty is

a toxic force working on the environment."

Street protests during the IMF/World Bank talks often focused on charges that the lending agencies' policies hurt the environment, with debtors forced to embark on ecologically damaging projects to earn more dollars.

Riot police detained hundreds of protesters.

Conable said the poor suffered most from environmental destruction, often because they had no choice.

He accepted that some criticism was justified. But he added: "I do not believe they should blame us because there is poverty in the world. It would be worse if we were not there."

Conable stressed that the bank would continue to stand in the way of environmental damage as part of the process of reducing the suffering of the poor.

The bank president also echoed a growing belief by many governments that the massive debt problem can be dealt with, even though this will take time.

Progress had been made on helping sub-Saharan Africa with its debt, he said.

Western nations agreed here to ease some of the poorest African nations' debt with a policy of straight write-offs, concessionary

interest rates or longer repayment.

But it was not enough. "We're in Africa for a marathon race, not a sprint," Conable said.

And despite the number of new approaches on debt, the situation

in many other countries including those in Latin America where the crisis developed did not appear much better.

IMF economists, expressing some confusion, said during the meeting that, while economic activity in the wealthy countries

has lately expanded faster than expected, the Third World has not shared in the boom.

In the past, expansion in the developed world has usually helped poorer countries, in part because they have been able to export more commodities.

But commodity prices, while up a bit during the present expansion, are still well below highs seen early this decade.

The most prominent plan was mooted by Japan at the Toronto economic summit in June and continued to command attention here.

Housing Corporation awards JD 4.6m contracts to build 504 units in Zarqa

AMMAN (Petra) — The Housing Corporation has signed agreements with two local construction firms to build 504 housing units at Zarqa in nearly three years time at the total cost of JD 4.6 million.

In accordance with the first agreement, one of the firms will

set up the units in 84 three-storey buildings. The units, to be completed in 1,100 days, will be of different space areas ranging between 100 and 125 square metres each.

The other firm will carry out the complementary works of the

project which is to be set up on a 57,000 square metres at the Barwi district of the city.

The agreements were signed by the firms' managers and the Housing Corporation's Director Yousef Hiyasat who said that the project will be completed with all

essential services like electricity, water and sewerage facilities as well as roads and public squares.

The corporation, he said, had set up three buildings as a model for the beneficiaries to choose the type of units they prefer.

USAID finances health programmes

AMMAN (J.T.) — The United States Agency for International Development (USAID) will grant \$100,000 to the National Medical Institution (NMI) to help it carry out projects in the coming six months, in accordance with an agreement signed in Amman Thursday.

The grant will finance NMI's schemes in developing management systems, health planning and alternative health care.

Altogether, USAID will be providing over \$600,000 during the next two years to help train NMI personnel and to help develop systems for management

information, quality control and materials management systems.

With the creation of the NMI, the government has embarked on a programme for reorganising and reconstructing its health care system. The primary goals of this programme is to

improve both quality and the cost effectiveness of curative health care in all publicly financed hospitals in the Kingdom. Thursday's agreement was signed by Acting Planning Minister Hamdi Tabas and USAID's Director Lewis Read.

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Amman Financial Market weekly trading

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Daily average	JD 523,554	JD 471,559
Total volume	JD 2,617,770	JD 2,357,795
Total shares	2,409,285	2,014,616
No. of contracts	1,811	2,612

Sectoral trading:

	Industrial	JD 831,571	JD 1,637,243
	Financial	JD 1,511,312	JD 428,736
	Services	(57.7%)	(18.2%)
	Insurance	9.0%	9.5%
		1.5%	2.9%

	Share price index	115.3
No. of companies	68	61
Price movement (rise)	24 firms	24 firms
(decline)	25 firms	22 firms
(stable)	25 firms	15 firms

AMMAN EXCHANGE RATES

	Thursday rates	Local sell/buy rates in fik
Belgian franc (for 10)	95.40	96.40
Dutch guilder	176.90	175.70
French franc	63.80	65.80
Italian lira (for 100)	20.00	22.20
Japanese yen (for 100)	274.70	277.40
Swiss franc	58.80	59.50
U.K. sterling pound	688.30	700.00
U.S. dollar	410.10	415.00
Deutschmark	218.00	221.70
Saudi riyal	109.80	112.50
French franc	97.00	99.00
Italian lira (for JD 1)	200.00	205.00
Japanese yen (for 100)	280.30	298.30
UAE dirham	112.10	113.70
Omani riyal	113.50	115.00
Bahraini dinar	106.70	107.70
U.S. dollar	1081.80	1091.70

	JORDAN BUSINESS DIRECTORY
Ministry of Industry and Trade	63191
Ministry of Supply	60321
Ministry of Finance	63632
Ministry of Planning	64446
Ministry of Labour	63189
Ministry of Communications	847391
Ministry of Agriculture	639391
Income Tax Department	640151
Central Bank of Jordan	630301
Amman Customs Department	772181
Social Security Corporation	63100
General Statistics Department	846171
Jordan Industrial Estates Corporation	721194
Jordan Commercial Centres Corporation	603507
Free Zones Corporation	642001
Arman Financial Market	660170
Amman Chamber of Commerce	66151
Amman Chamber of Industry	644747
Association of Banks in Jordan	662258
Jordan Association of Insurance Companies	647370
General Statistics Department	846171
Jordanian Businessmen Association	680663

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Sports

New time clocked at 2:04:76

King sets Hill Climb record

By Rania Atalla
Jordan Times Staff Reporter

AMMAN — Driving a powerful Mercedes 190 E at an average speed of 87 kilometres per hour, His Majesty King Hussein set a new record Friday at the Tal Al Ramman Hill Climb, clocking the three-kilometre race in 2:04:76, and edging His Royal Highness Prince Abdullah by 0.59 seconds.

"I can still improve this timing by two or two and a half seconds," King Hussein said following the afternoon round. He had earlier stated that his morning timing of 2:07:68 could be broken by others, mainly younger drivers. As it turned out, it could not be. "My goal is to encourage young people and prepare them to achieve what we all wish for," His Majesty told reporters.

The King said that unlike the previous hill climb in which he took part earlier this year, he had a chance to train before Friday's race, a factor which, he said, contributed to his record time. He cited "the car and the good condition it is in" as an added factor that helped him win the race.

Anar Bilbeisi, who set a 2:07:92 record in May in an Opel Manta

400, did not participate in Friday's event because of a back injury.

The King said that this year he gained a better understanding of the technique and style of driving as well as the handling of cars as machines. "I have kept up with developments in the field," he told reporters. "Undoubtedly, it is not a matter of speed alone. The technique, the power, the taking of curves and the handling of the car are important — and it can be very safe."

Also driving a Mercedes 190 E, Prince Abdullah came in second place Friday with a time of 2:05:35 followed by George Khayyat who clocked 2:08:25 in a Nissan 240 RS.

Khayyat was placed second in the morning round, one twelfth of a second ahead of Prince Abdullah who in the morning run had clocked 2:08:75.

"I had a nice, clean run," Khayyat said after the morning round, "and I was pushing it to the limit."

He said King Hussein and Prince Abdullah's record timing was difficult to beat because of their "better" cars.

"We really need superior cars to compete with them, but still, it



His Majesty King Hussein in his Mercedes 190 E which he drove to victory in Friday's Ramman Hill Climb race (Photo by Yousef Al-Allan)

GOREN BRIDGE

BY CHARLES GOREN
AND OMAR SHARIF

LOGIC MAKES DEFENSE EASY

North-South vulnerable. North deals.

NORTH	♦ A J 9 3
♦ 8 3	0 Q J 10 9 6 4
WEST	♦ 7 4
♦ A Q 9 6 2	♦ J 10 5 4
♦ 5	♦ A 3 2
♦ Q J 8 3 2	♦ K 10 7 6 4
SOUTH	♦ K 10 8 6 5 2
♦ K 7	♦ K 8 7
♦ K 9	

The bidding: North East South West
1 ♦ Pass 1 ♦ 2 ♦
2 ♦ 3 ♦ 4 ♦ Pass
Pass Pass

Opening lead: Five of ♦

Just because partner has led a singleton doesn't mean you have to give him a ruff at the first opportunity. Take time out to consider all the ramifications of the defense before committing yourself to a line.

The auction was routine. South's jump to four spades was based on his diamond fit and the fact he didn't want to sound as if he was simply competing against three hearts.

East rose with the ace of diamonds and declarer, in a somewhat

misguided attempt to pull the wool over the eyes of the defense, dropped the king. East brushed that puny attempt at deception aside—he knew his partner would not lead dummy's suit from low cards, so he had to have a singleton.

The ace of diamonds and ruff were two defensive tricks, so the defenders needed two more. It was most unlikely that they were going to get a black-out ruff, so hearts had to provide both if the contract was going to be set. If West held ace-king, there was no problem, but that was unlikely, since West would probably have led a high heart if he held both honors.

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